



Male Elite Pathways 2027 Trial Information: Junior Representative and Development Squads

Introduction

The Parramatta Eels are excited for the upcoming trials for our Development Squads and Junior Representative Teams! We greatly appreciate your continued involvement and dedication to Rugby League within the Parramatta District. Your passion and enthusiasm drive our community forward. The important information you need to know about the trial process is contained within this document including the important dates, which are listed on the last page.

Important Junior League Policy

In accordance with the Junior League Policy 2.12 to 2.22, players selected from the Parramatta District to represent other district teams during the season must obtain permission from the Parramatta National Rugby League to return and participate in the Parramatta Junior League at the end of the District Representative season.

Full Junior League Policy can be reviewed on the below link:

[Local Transfer and Permit Policy V1.14.pdf](#)

This requirement ensures a smooth transition for players, allowing them to return to their original junior league clubs if desired. Without this permission, players may not be allowed to register with a Parramatta Junior League club for the following season, specifically for the 2027 season. ***For all players not selected to trial, they are free to trial in any other district and return at the completion of their commitments to their chosen Junior League Club.***

Decision Making and Commitment

Choosing not to trial for the Parramatta Eels Development and Representative Teams, or accepting a position with another district, is a significant commitment for young athletes. It is essential to consider the potential implications of this decision, as it may affect your ability to return to the Parramatta Junior League in the subsequent season if permission is not granted. **In short if you do not accept a position to trial or a position in the Eels squads, then your registration in the Parramatta Junior League in 2027 cannot be guaranteed.**



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Support and Guidance

We strongly advise you to weigh your options carefully and seek clarification if needed before proceeding. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the process or the implications of not participating in the Parramatta Eels Development and Representative Teams or trials, please reach out to us for guidance and support.

The Parramatta NRL Club and Parramatta Leagues Club make significant investments in terms of time, funding, and resourcing to foster the growth of participation in the Parramatta Junior League. The Junior League Policy 2.12 to 2.17 is in place to protect the integrity of the local competition and to protect the club's investment. The support from PNRL & PLC is crucial in providing opportunities for young athletes to develop their skills and pursue their passion for Rugby League within the Parramatta District.

Conclusion

We appreciate your understanding of these regulations and your commitment to Rugby League in the Parramatta District. Our primary goal is to provide the best possible experience for our young athletes while ensuring a fair and transparent process for all involved.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we wish you all the best of luck in your Rugby League endeavours.

Parramatta National Rugby League Club

PLEASE SEE IMPORTANT DATES ON THE NEXT PAGE

Age in 2027 – 13 / 14 Players born in 2013 & 2014
As per the NRL & NSWRL Talent Development Guidelines there are no trials for these Age Groups. Opportunities within the Parramatta Development program or the NRL RISE program for these age groups will be communicated at a later date.



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Age in 2027 – 15 / 16 / 17 / 18 / 19 Players born from 2008 to 2012	
Communication & Information Sharing	<u>Tuesday, August 4th</u> - Information sheet to be emailed to all PJRL Clubs & all PJRL participants from U12 to U19 <u>Friday, August 7th</u> - Information sheet to be shared on Eels website & social media channels
Nomination & Registration	Participation in these trials are by invitation only – they are for players born 2008 to 2012 and invitations are determined by Eels Recruitment team <u>Monday, August 10th</u> – Any player who is exempt from the trial process will receive notification from the Parramatta Eels Pathways Male Recruitment manager before this date.
Nominations Submitted	<u>Friday, August 28th</u> – Players who have been invited to trial by the Eels Recruitment Team will receive an invitation on or before this date.
Trial Notification & Confirmation	<u>Friday, September 4th</u> – Last day for invited players to confirm their place in the trial
Trial Date	<u>Monday, September 14th</u> – Harold Matthews (U17s) & U16s Male Development squad trial <u>Thursday, September 10th</u> – SG Ball Trial
Squad announcement	<u>Monday, September 21st</u> – Harold Matthews (U17s) summer squad announced & U16s Male Development squad <u>Thursday, September 17th</u> – SG Ball summer squad announced

